

Form 501—General Information
(Application for Reservation of Entity Name)

The attached form is a standardized form designed to meet minimal statutory filing requirements pursuant to the relevant statutory provisions. This form and the information provided are not substitutes for the advice and services of an attorney and tax specialist.

The name of a corporation, professional association, limited liability company, or limited partnership may be reserved for a period of 120 days. There is no provision for renewal of a name reservation. Consequently, a subsequent application for reservation of the same entity name will not be accepted for filing until the original reservation period has expired.

Item 1—Entity Type: A name may be reserved only by a person intending to organize a Texas business or non-profit corporation, limited liability company or limited partnership, or a person intending to qualify a foreign (out-of-state) corporation, foreign limited liability company or foreign limited partnership to transact business in Texas, or any such entity that intends to change its name. Although this form is designed to be used by different types of entities, you must specify the type of entity to which the name reservation is to apply **since a name reservation filed under one statute cannot be used for, or transferred to, filings made under another statute.**

Item 2—Entity Name: Set forth the entity name to be reserved together with the appropriate organizational ending. Appropriate organizational endings are shown in the table below:

Entity Type	Appropriate Organizational Terms					
Business Corporation	Corporation	Incorporated	Company	Corp.	Inc.	Co.
Non-Profit Corporation	Use of an organizational ending is not required for a domestic non-profit corporation.					
Professional Corporation	The same as business corporations. However, may also use Professional Corporation or abbreviation PC.					
Professional Association	Professional Association	Association	Associated	and Associates	Assoc.	P.A.
Limited Liability Company	Limited Liability Company	Limited Company	LLC or L.L.C.	LC or L.C.	Ltd. Co.	
Professional Limited Liability Company	Professional Limited Liability Company	PLLC or P.L.L.C.				
Limited Partnership	Limited Partnership	Limited	L.P. or LP	Ltd.		

The applicable statutes and the secretary of state's name availability rules provide that a proposed name cannot be the same as, deceptively similar to, or similar to (without a letter of consent) that of any existing domestic or foreign corporation, limited partnership, limited liability company or any name reservation or registration filed with the secretary of state. The administrative rules adopted for determining entity name availability (Texas Administrative Code, Title 1, Part 4, Chapter 79, Subchapter C) may be viewed at www.sos.state.tx.us/tac/index.html. If you wish the secretary of state to provide a preliminary determination on "name availability," you may call (512) 463-5555 or e-mail your name inquiry to corpinfo@sos.state.tx.us. **Warning:** This is only an initial clearance and should not be relied upon as final approval of the name. The final decision regarding name availability will be made when the document is submitted for filing.

Items 3 and 4—Applicant Name and Address: Specify the name of the person for whom the reservation is made. If the name is being reserved by a corporation, limited partnership, limited liability company or other organized legal entity, select and complete option A. If an individual is reserving the name, please select and complete option B. Once the application for reservation is filed, the name reservation will be recorded exclusively in the name of the applicant or the applicant's transferee if a notice of transfer is filed with the appropriate fee.


Item 5—Execution: The applicant or applicant's attorney or agent must sign the application for name reservation. Prior to signing, please read the statements on this form carefully. A person commits an offense under the Texas Business Corporation Act, the Texas Limited Liability Company Act or the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act if the person signs a document the person knows is false in any material respect with the intent that the document be delivered to the secretary of state for filing. The offense is a Class A misdemeanor.

Termination: A registrant may terminate the reservation of a name prior to the expiration of the reservation period by filing an application to cancel the name reservation; no form is provided for this purpose. The filing fee for cancellation of a corporate or professional association name reservation is \$15, cancellation of a limited partnership name reservation is \$25, and cancellation of a limited liability company name reservation is \$10.

Fees and Delivery Instructions:

Entity Type	Fee
Domestic or foreign business corporation, non-profit corporation, professional corporation or professional association	\$40
Domestic or foreign limited liability company	\$25
Domestic or foreign limited partnership	\$50

Mail the completed form along with the correct filing fee to the address shown in the heading of this form. The delivery address is James Earl Rudder Office Building, 1019 Brazos, Austin, Texas 78701. Upon filing the reservation the secretary of state will issue a certificate of name reservation and return it to the submitter. The telephone number is (512) 463-5555, TDD: (800) 735-2989, FAX: (512) 463-5709.

Form 501 (revised 9/03)	 <p>This space reserved for office use.</p>
Return in Duplicate to: Secretary of State P.O. Box 13697 Austin, TX 78711-3697 FAX: 512/463-5709	<p align="center"> APPLICATION FOR RESERVATION OF AN ENTITY NAME </p>
Filing Fees: Corporations and Professional Associations (\$40); Limited Liability Companies (\$25), and Limited Partnerships (\$50)	

ENTITY NAME TYPE			
Pursuant to the applicable statutory provision for reservation of an entity name, the undersigned applicant hereby applies for reservation of an entity name to be used for the following type of entity (choose only one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Business Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Professional Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Limited Liability Co.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Business Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Professional Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Limited Partnership	
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Non-Profit Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Limited Partnership	
<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Non-Profit Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Limited Liability Co.		
<u>Please choose carefully. Note that name reservations filed under one statute cannot be used for, or transferred to, filings made under another statute.</u>			
ENTITY NAME TO BE RESERVED			
<u>The name must contain an appropriate organizational ending for the type of entity for which the name is to be reserved</u> (See instructions.) The name must not be the same as, deceptively similar to or similar to that of an existing corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership name on file with the secretary of state. A preliminary check for "name availability" is recommended.			
The applicant requests that the following entity name be reserved for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days:			
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APPLICANT NAME (Choose and complete either A or B.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> A. The applicant is an organized entity by the name set forth below:			
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OR			
<input type="checkbox"/> B. The applicant is an individual by the name set forth below:			
First Name	M. I.	Last Name	Suffix
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APPLICANT ADDRESS			
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
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EXECUTION			
The undersigned signs this document subject to the penalties imposed by law for the submission of a false or fraudulent document.			
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Signature of applicant, applicant's attorney or agent			